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## The Right Before Christmas.

'Twas the night before Christmas, and all through the house  
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse.  
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,  
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there.  
The children were nestled all snug in their beds,  
While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads;  
And mamma, in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap,  
Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap.  
When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,  
I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter.  
Away to the window I flew like a flash,  
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.  
The moon, on the breast of the new fallen snow,  
Gave a luster of midday to objects below;  
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,  
Saw a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer;  
With a little old driver, so lively and quick,  
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.  
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,  
And he whistled and shouted and called them by name;  
"Now, dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer!  
now Vixen!  
On, Comet! on, Cupid! on, Dunder and Blitzen!  
To the top of the porch, to the top of the wall!  
Now, dash away, dash away, dash away, all!  
As dry leaves before the wild hurricane fly,  
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,  
So up to the house-top the coursers they flew,  
With a sleigh full of toys, and St. Nicholas, too,  
And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof  
The prancing and pawing of each tiny hoof.  
As I drew in my head, and was turning around,  
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.  
He was dressed all in fur from his head to his foot,  
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;  
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,  
And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.  
His eyes, how they twinkled! his dimples, how merry!  
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry;  
His droll little mouth was drawn up in a bow,  
And the beard on his chin was white as the snow.  
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,  
And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath.  
He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf,  
And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself.  
A wink of his eye and a twist of his head,  
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.  
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,  
And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk,  
And laying his finger aside of his nose,  
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.  
He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,  
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle.  
But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight:  
"Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good-night!"  
—Clement Clarke Moore.

## Miss Nimms' Christmas Gift

It was a stormy, wintry night, but no one seemed to mind the storm; it was Christmas Eve. Miss Nimms sat alone at her homely fireside. She heard the music of the church bells and the voices of merry children singing carols somewhere in the vicinity, but she heeded them not.  
Miss Nimms was not old, but her face was exceedingly sorrowful and weary. Her burden of loneliness was more than she could bear alone. Why she had not cast her burden on Him who said, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest," I am not prepared to say. The fire in the old-fashioned fireplace danced and sparkled. There was no other light in the cosy sitting room. The house was really furnace heated; but Miss Nimms loved an open fire and always had one when the weather permitted.  
She sat and looked into the flames with a far-away look in her sad eyes. Last Christmas her widowed mother was living and she was thinking of the cosy little chicken dinner they had enjoyed together. Her eyes filled with tears. She had not realized until her mother was gone how happy they had been together.  
There would be no Christmas dinner on the morrow. What was the use? What could one eat alone? Besides, she had very little

appetite for dinner. Let those have them who felt like it.

The curtains had not yet been drawn. Suddenly there came a soft rap on the window. It startled the lonely watcher by the fire, who was on her feet in a moment. Pressed close against the glass was a child's face.

"What do you mean by frightening me so?" questioned Miss Nimms somewhat irritably.  
"I didn't mean to frighten you," apologized the child. "I—I was going to ask if I couldn't warm myself at your fire."

The voice, as well as the pinched face, was full of longing.

Miss Nimms opened the door.

"Come in," she said gently.

The child, a little girl not over seven years, responded with a little cry of relief. A thin old shawl, fastened about her head and trailing down to her feet, was her only outside garment. This was covered with snow. Miss Nimms removed it from her guest, shook it out of the door and hung it up to dry. Then she approached the child, who stood before the fire holding out her hands to the warmth.

"Oh!" she cried out, "isn't it lovely!"

"What is lovely?"

"This fire."

"Sit down in that little chair and get thoroughly warm. You are shivering."

The child sat down, but looked up appealingly.

"Do you think I really can?" she asked.

"Can what?"

"Get thoroughly warm."

"Why, of course you can."

"I'm so glad!" said the child gratefully, a faint smile creeping across her pale face. "It's so lovely here by the fire. I've been so cold—so cold—you can't think. It seems so good to think of being really warm again!"

"Why did you come out in the cold and storm?" asked Miss Nimms wonderingly.

"I was so lonesome I couldn't stay in the room. It's so cold there, too; awful cold!" It's down cellar and there is no fire, you know."

"No, I don't know anything about it, but you can tell me. Where is the cellar and who lives with you?"

"Do you know Gorman's block?" asked the child, shivering again at the very thought of the place.

"Yes."

"Well, it's there I live and I'm all alone. Mamma went to heaven yesterday. They took her in a box. I didn't want to live without mamma, you know," tears rolling down her cheeks and choking her voice.

"Miss Stone said they buried her in the ground under the snow, but do not believe it."

"Why, don't you?"

"Because mamma told me she was going to heaven. Mamma said I should meet her there, but I don't know the way, do you?"

The question startled Miss Nimms, but she did not reply. She sat quite still looking into the fire and thinking remorsefully of her lost opportunities. "Do you?" repeated the child eagerly. There was no response.

Presently the child's eyes closed, the little tired head nodded and fell to one side; the little one was asleep.

Miss Nimms watched her with keen interest. Her eyes slowly filled with tears, which presently flowed down her cheeks.

"Poor baby! Poor little lonely soul!" was her pitying thought.

"What blessings I have compared to hers! And she asks me if I know the way to heaven! Could I show her?"

She arose softly and went into the kitchen where her faithful maid of all work sat by the table finishing a pair of red mittens. A boy of ten years sat near her. They were mother and son. Their faces looked sad; and no wonder, for well they knew there was to be no Christmas cheer within that house.

"Becky," said Miss Nimms, "there's a little girl in the sitting-room who says she lives in Gorman's block in the cellar. Would you and Tom be willing to go over there and find out what you can about her?"

Becky and Tom were more than willing to go for on the way they might get some glimpses of Christmas cheer. They went and came back quickly, Becky reporting thus:

"Oh Miss Nimms it's a dreadful

place, that cellar; 'tain't fit for the rats to live in and there's no fire at all. They told me there that Miss

Morse, the little girl's mother, had been a lovely Christian woman and that before she died she had prayed to the Lord that he would provide a happy home for her one little lamb."

Becky went in and looked at the sleeping child.

"Lord bless her!" she exclaimed under her breath.

Becky, whispered Miss Nimms, "I believe the Lord sent her here and I shall keep her."

"God bless you!" said Becky. Together they put the waif to bed, working so gently that she did not awaken. Tears rolled down their cheeks as they saw the thin underclothing and the emaciated body.

"But please God, we'll bring her out all right," said Miss Nimms.

"Bring in some of to-night's milk, Becky, so that if she should awaken I can give her some."

After the child was snugly covered up in the warm bed Miss Nimms followed Becky to the kitchen.

"Becky," she confessed, "I have not done right in neglecting to make any preparations for Christ's birthday. I am sorry."

So they all had a merry Christmas together, and the little girl found a happy and loving home.—Selected.

## An Old Christmas Carol

O wake ye, little children,  
And be of goodly cheer.  
You sun so high along the sky  
Hath shone two thousand year.  
And once it saw a little child  
In mangle lying undelivered,  
And all about the cattle mid  
Did lovingly draw near.  
So wake ye, little children,  
And be of goodly cheer.

O wake ye, little children,  
And let each heart be gay.  
Good-will to men they caroled then,  
And why should ye delay?  
Awake, awake, and rise and sing,  
And greet ye every living thing,  
For man and beast did greet you King  
On that first Christmas day!  
Then wake ye, little children,  
For this is Christmas day.

## Christmas in the South.

In the early social history of the United States, the Northern States did not give the prominence to Christmas which was shown in the Southern States, for Thanksgiving to the north was the great day of the year, and not even the Fourth of July outshone it in certain circles. This, however, did not apply to the large cities where the Catholics and Episcopalians were strong, for by them Christmas was observed as a holy day, but was never celebrated with the cheerfulness that marked the day in the South.

In the ante-bellum days fireworks were as much a part of the southern Christmas as the Fourth of July, and firearms vied with church bells and all kinds of horns, in making a din, the odor of of powder almost overpowering the spicy perfume of the Christmas greens—pine, laurel, holly, crowsfoot, wintergreen and ivy. Log fires were lighted in every house where there was an open hearth, and it was a belief cherished by white and black, long years after slavery was abolished, that the black man resorted to soaking the log in water to insure longer holidays for himself and fellows.

Servants and petty employees looked for gifts and fees on Christmas day, especially the negroes, and this anti-bellum custom has not yet died out. The negroes enjoyed a week end of rest at Christmas time. Now that they are hired hands instead of slaves, they cling to this privilege, refusing to work while holiday spirit is in the air. This means that Christmas lasts a week. Every negro—man, woman and pickaninny—makes the most of the week, and the fun runs high. On many plantations the negroes are almost as much a part of the "plant" as they were during slavery. They have the feeling that, inasmuch as they belong to the place the rest of the year, the place belongs to them for the holiday week, and they take advantage of the opportunity to do as they please.

For weeks in advance the holidays are anticipated with joy, though not with any great degree of preparation. The plantation negro, generally speaking, lets tomorrow take care of itself. But some of the more provident ones begin to store

up for Christmas. The fattest pumpkin is picked from the corn rows and put away for pie material. The turkey gobbler in the yard is fattened for the occasion. Old Auntie hides her jars of preserves from the younger generation, Uncle Ike becomes involved in a conspiracy for saving things to augment the Christmas spread.

Christmas morning the negro children are up bright and early. There is method in their early rising. From time immemorial Southern people, both white and black, have cherished the belief that there is much virtue in being the first to shout "Christmas gift!" in meeting a friend on the morning of the great day. In some sections the priority is expected to result in the forfeit of a gift from the other party. Accordingly the little negroes make a point of running up to the big plantation house and greeting the white people with a lusty "Christmas gift!" in the hope of receiving at least a big red apple, a fresh baked pie or a stick of striped candy, such as the general store on the plantation is sure to keep in stock.

The best fiddler on the plantation is the hardest worked man of all, but enjoys every scrape of his bow, while the dance goes merrily on. The Christmas dance is a continued story. It begins Christmas eve and continues every night in the week. If the weather is not too cold the big barn floor is cleared for the dance, but if heat is required the "function" takes place in the biggest room of the biggest negro house on the place, with a roaring fire in the fireplace and plenty of cheer on the kitchen table, both solid and liquid.

Christmas week is spent in visiting. The negroes go from cabin to cabin on their own plantation, or they hitch up the work mule and visit friends on a neighboring plantation. Everywhere the Christmas spirit prevails. If one family is short of the world's cheer another family is glad to share its own. The Christmas spirit on a cotton plantation is much more in evidence than in a prosperous white folks' town.—Selected.

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Some of the passengers had gathered in one of the sleepers. Darkness was falling; it was bitterly cold, and the snowy gale whistled outside. Fortunately, there was coal enough to keep up steam in the engine and to warm the cars a little.

A negro porter came through the car. "There is a little child in the day coach," he said. "Its mother is dead, and its grandmother is taking it to her home in Minneapolis. The milk they brought with them is all gone. They are afraid the baby may die of hunger."

The effect of those words on the passengers was electrical. Several men jumped to their feet.

"Who'll go with me to get that baby's milk?" one big fellow asked.

Every man in the car except an elderly invalid volunteered. The invalid drew some bills from his pocket and offered one to the man who had called for volunteers.

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The party eventually was reduced to six, including the locomotive engineer—men who were experienced in "bucking snow." Those who stayed behind watched the six plough their way through the drifts in the darkness. There were four high bridges to cross before they could reach the town. A gust of wind might send them to death at the bottom of a gorge, but they started.

Morning dawned clear and cold. The blizzard had abated, but the flying particles of frozen snow cut like knives when they hit the uncovered hands and faces of those ventured out. Just as the sun began to brighten the tops of the highest mountains the milk party returned. Each man carried a can, so that if one fell and lost his burden there would be enough left for the baby's needs.

The milk was warmed and the baby had his breakfast, while the passengers crowded round and enjoyed the little one's satisfaction as much as if they themselves had been eating.

Two of the men who made the trip froze their feet; but when the relief train came the next day and took them to a town where they could have their feet treated, one of them remarked to the other:

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## Once Upon a Time

My little child comes to my knee,  
And tugging, pleads that he may climb  
Into my lap and hear me tell  
The Christmas tale he loves so well—  
The tale my mother told to me,  
Beginning, "Once upon a time."

It is a tale of skies that rang  
With angel rhapsodies sublime;  
Of that great host serene and white,  
The shepherds saw one winter night—  
And of the glorious stars that sang  
An anthem, once upon a time.

This story of the hallowed years  
Tells of the sacrifice sublime  
Of One who prayed alone and wept  
While his a-weary followers slept—  
And how his blood and Mary's tears  
Commingled, once upon a time.

And now my darling at my side,  
And echoes of the distant chime,  
Bring that sweet story back to me  
Of Bethlehem and Calvary.  
And of the gentle Christ that died  
For sinners, once upon a time.

The mighty deeds that men have told  
In ponderous tomes or flowing rhyme,  
Like misty shadows fade away—  
But this sweet story bides for aye,  
And, like the stars that sang of old,  
We sing of "Once upon a time."

—Eugene Field.

## The Baby's Christmas

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## Helping the German Deaf.

EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE FOR THE WELFARE OF GERMAN DEAF-MUTES.

BERLIN, September 1, 1920.

To American Deaf-Mutes:—Because of the duration of the war and its after-effects, the deaf-mutes in this country are in great distress. Many deaf-mutes are out of work and it will be a long while before times become better. Winter is now coming on and the suffering among the deaf-mutes will be very great. So we are writing to American deaf-mutes with the urgent request to collect funds for the suffering deaf-mutes here. The low rate of exchange of the mark will make it possible for us to obtain 50 marks for each dollar. In this way, we hope to mitigate the suffering among the deaf-mutes who are out of work.

Our periodical the *Allgemeine Deutsche Taubstumme* has also suffered under present conditions. We shall also be grateful if collections are made for the paper.

Hoping our request for help to American deaf-mutes will be received favorably, we remain,

With fraternal greetings,  
WILHELM GOTTWEISS,  
Chairman.

In response to an appeal for aid made by Mr. Watzulik, of Altenberg, Saxony, to succor the needy deaf made destitute by the war, the undersigned is soliciting contributions. Any amount, large or small, will be thankfully received and publicly acknowledged by the undersigned in the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL. The following have sent in their contributions.

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DURING the holidays the JOURNAL force of printers is considerably curtailed. Therefore, all correspondence that comes in at the last moment, is likely to be held over a week before being published.

We appreciate brevity of statement at this season of the year.

We hail with joy letters and budgets of news items that come in not later than Monday morning, because it gives us a chance to get belated news into type.

Correspondents should bear in mind that the JOURNAL is on the press Tuesday afternoon. It is placed in the Post Office in the early afternoon of each Wednesday of the year. The date of the paper means the day of issue, and not the day on which it is printed.

We sincerely hope correspondents will cooperate on the above lines.

We wish all of our readers, correspondents, the deaf in general, and the friends of the deaf,

A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

THE subjoined article appeared in a recent number of the *Duluth Herald*. It merely goes to show the usual way in which Day Schools for the deaf are neglected. Attention should be called to the statement: "Because of the lack of sympathy between the high school group for the deaf group, because of the disparity in ages and the concomitant disparity in the desire for companionship, both groups suffer." And yet they tell us the deaf are restored to society by the oral method.

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 2.—Need for investigation of conditions that exist in the Milwaukee school for the deaf is pointed out by the Parents' and Friends' association of the school for the deaf, in a letter read before the state board of education today by E. A. Fitzpatrick, its secretary. The association calls for action by the board to remedy the situation.

After pointing out that, under the law, it is the duty of the board of education to "have the exclusive charge of the management of all financial affairs relating to schools for the deaf and the most efficient and economical purposes," the letter continues, "in that connection we desire to direct your attention to a situation which seems to warrant an investigation of the Milwaukee school for the deaf and the retrogression of the last five years of its management."

In 1914 the school enjoyed a national reputation for its ideal system of education, the letter said. Since then administrative errors were said to have lowered its standards greatly. "The school is now housed in the same quarters with a hearing high school," the letter points out. "Because of the lack of sympathy between the high school group for the deaf group, because of the disparity in age and the concomitant disparity in the desire for companionship, both groups suffer."

"The principal of the school has no technical qualifications for the education of the deaf and is by experience a hearing high school principal. The deaf department has no other executive or administrative head."

## PHILADELPHIA.

News items for this column should be sent to James S. Reider, 1538 North Dover Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

In our account of the Gallaudet Club dinner, we stated that one of the speakers credited the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf with the appointment of several deaf teachers during Dr. Cronter's superintendency, while the New York Institution had appointed none in the same time. However, when we received the last JOURNAL, we found "one" substituted for "none," and wondered if it was a correction or typographical error of the compositor. We did not include Dr. Fox in the statement, because he was appointed a teacher prior to our set time. Any way, the important point, we meant to show was that the chances of competent deaf persons being appointed teachers was not so hopeless, even in an oral school, as some would have us believe. Let the light be turned on and the truth be known. [We did not wish to get Dr. Cronter in wrong, even in an after-dinner speech, and as he overlooked the appointment of Miss Alice E. Judge, made last summer, for the sake of accuracy, the change was made as a correction.—ED. JOURNAL.]

The Package Party of Philadelphia Division, No. 30, N. F. S. D., held at the Grand Fraternity, Saturday evening, December 11th, was well attended and successful.

Mrs. Mary McKinley, fifty-nine years, and her daughter, Helen, twenty-eight, of Merchantville, N. J., were struck and slightly injured by a motorcar today, on Hadden Avenue near Washington Street, close by Camden City Hall.

The car was driven by Mr. Edward Duffield, of 622 North Seventh Street, Camden.

The injured women were rushed to a nearby hospital by Duffield, where the younger woman was found to have suffered only from shock, while her mother was held in the hospital for treatment of contusions and abrasions.

The above was reported in a daily paper. Mrs. McKinley is known to a number of deaf people here as the sister of Mrs. Sara Scott, who is a deaf-mute, and at present suffering from a second stroke of paralysis. Therefore, we deeply regret the accident.

The Rev. H. C. Merrill, of Utica, N. Y., spend a few days in Philadelphia, the first week in December, to attend to some business. On Thursday evening, December 9th, he lectured before the Cleric Literary Association, when his subject appeared to be "Thinking and Thinkers." He made a flying trip to Washington, D. C., from here, and left for New York City on December 10th.

At the recent annual election of officers of the Silent Athletic Club of Philadelphia, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, A. R. Acl; Vice-President, James L. Jennings; Secretary, William K. Clayton; Treasurer, William Rothemann; Trustee for three years, Frank J. Kuhn. The officers will be installed at the January meeting of the Club.

Reading Division, No. 54, N. F. S. D., elected the following officers at its December meeting: President, Harry H. Weaver; Vice-President, Lloyd J. Charlesworth; Secretary, George E. Fister; Treasurer, Harry F. Somner (elected for the fifth term); Director Roger M. Williams; Sergeant at Arms, Howard W. Cruise; Trustee, William A. Burkert.

The engagement of Miss Maud E. Brumbaugh to Mr. George Curtin, of Altoona, has been announced.

Mr. Austin E. Sergeant, of Hazleton, Pa., was a visitor at All Souls' Church on Sunday, 19th inst.

Mrs. Mary Conroy, widow of the late Thomas Conroy, passed away on December 10th, after an illness of several months. She was one of our older deaf and was educated at the institute in Buffalo, N. Y. Interment was in the New Cathedral Cemetery.

The Ladies of De l'Espe through St. Cecilia Council No. 3, gave a "500" Social at the Grand Fraternity on Saturday evening, December 18th. The proceeds of this entertainment will be contributed to the De l'Espe Statue Fund of the N. A. D.

Mrs. J. S. Reider left early on Sunday morning for Hanover, Pa., to spend the holiday season with her daughter, Mrs. S. O. Honermyer. Mr. Reider will follow her a few days later.

Mrs. Ann Scott, mother of our Mr. Christopher Scott, reached her 80th birthday on December 11th. It may not be generally known that Mrs. Minnie Eakins Troup, hearing daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Eakins, of Reading, Pa., has been living in Philadelphia, at 2845 N. 12th Street, since last Fall. She is known to all the deaf of Reading and to many others, and like many other children of deaf parents, can use the sign language with ease and fluency.

Mrs. Harry E. Stevens returned from Carlisle, Pa., on Friday, the 17th, after having been away a couple weeks.

The Philadelphia Local Branch,

P. S. A. D., held a meeting at All Souls' Parish House on Saturday evening, December 18th, but owing to want of a quorum, no business was transacted. A social time was therefore enjoyed.

The usual Christmas service will be held at All Souls' Church for the Deaf on Christmas Day morning. The annual Christmas entertainment will be held on Thursday evening, December 30th, at which the chief feature will be moving pictures. A free will offering will be taken at the door.

Bishop Garland will visit All Souls' to administer the Rite of Confirmation on Sunday, February 27th. Rev. Mr. Danzei will be pleased to hear from any one who desires to prepare for confirmation.

## GALLAUDET COLLEGE.

On Sunday afternoon, December 19th, the members of the Sophomore Class presented the following Sunday School Concert.

Hymn: "From Greenland's Icy Mountains," Mr. Fred Connor.

CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS:  
In the Orient . . . . . Mr. J. N. Orman  
In Europe . . . . . Miss Bella Purin  
In the United States . . . . . Mr. Anson Mills  
Hymn: "O Little Town of Bethlehem," Miss Edith Anderson.  
Collection, Prayer.

Only such customs as were not generally known were related. A few were so ludicrous and peculiar as to occasion laughter, but the general tone of the concert was one befitting the time and subject.

While the examinations are upon us a lull in most college activities has taken place. They continue until Wednesday. After the examinations the Christmas recess begins and continues until Sunday evening.

The genial presence of Roy J. Stewart, '99, was missed here quite a while during the last few weeks. He was absent from two important meetings of the Athletic Advisory Board, which was considered quite unusual. However, he has appeared upon the Green again as genial as ever. We learn that his nephew was critically ill, but passed the crisis safely.

Gallaudet, 35 Camp Humphrey, 33

On Wednesday evening, December 15th, gymnasium hall was the scene of a close game between the Camp Humphreys and Gallaudet quints. Camp Humphrey had on its list a few former West Point stars, and consequently were able to put up a formidable offense.

At the beginning of the first half Gallaudet, according to habit, began to roll up a safe margin. This continued for five minutes. Then Camp Humphrey began to gain momentum. Gallaudet at first had difficulty in stopping them and in increasing their own count substantially meanwhile. At the close of the first period the Camp Humphreys led by a lone figure, 18 to 17.

The Kendall Green players went in for the second period with a better idea of their opponents' strength and played hard. They began at once to come back by caging four goals from the floor. The engineers, however, crept up again. Steinke was substituted for Danofsky. Then the counts on both sides began to creep up almost alternately. The outcome was in doubt until the last few seconds. Danofsky had been turned in again. Within the last twenty seconds, he caged two goals from floor. These two goals gave Gallaudet the victory.

Line up and summary:

GALLAUDET	CAMP HUMPHREY
Seipp	L. F. Higgins
Steinke	R. F. Sturges
Baynes	C. Clatterbos
Bouchard	L. G. Burns
LaFontaine	R. G. McKee

Field goals—Seipp, 3; Steinke, 2; Baynes, 2; Bouchard, 1; LaFontaine, 1; Danofsky, 5; Higgins, 2; Sturges, 7; Clatterbos, 1; McKee, 1.

Free throws—Baynes, 5 out of 12; LaFontaine, 2 out of 7; Clatterbos, 11 out of 15; Substitution—Danofsky for Steinke; Referee—Guyon, Carlisle.

By request of Temple University, the game scheduled for Saturday, December 18th, was cancelled. Temple University was compelled to call it off to avoid a financial loss, which she would entail if she came to Washington to play on Kendall Green. This was due to the fact that George Washington University was unable to secure a floor for her game with Temple and had to call it off. However, Manager May succeeded in securing a match with Washington Barracks for the same evening. Washington Barracks proved easy for Coach Cooper's men. The game ended with a count of 53 to 9.

The Mid-Western Mission to the Deaf.

The Rev. C. W. Charles, General Missionary, 479 S. Ohio Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

DECEMBER.

Indianapolis Division.

22—Columbus, 10:30 A. M. Holy Communion

26—Cincinnati, 10:45 A. M. Holy Com.

A lot of the motorists in Flint, Michigan, who seem to be deaf to Safety First talk, hear perfectly well when the Judge says \$100 dollars and costs.

## FANWOOD.

The following was sent by Major General John F. O'Ryan, to all the supervising officers of zones under the Military Training Commission, and can be construed as applicable to our own Battalion of Cadets. It is well worth reading and remembering:—

I am asked to name some characteristic of American boyhood which most needs improvement, and I understand you are seeking suggestions with a view to incorporating them in a list of topics to be offered to those who shall make opportunity to emphasize the needs of the American boy.

Certainly I am most heartily in accord with this effort to concentrate on the betterment of boyhood at this time, and I have a definite suggestion to make.

It seems to me that all who love boys and would like to respect them, must be chagrined at their frequent lack of good manners. Therefore, I hope you may be able, in some way, to induce all who shall talk to boys to dwell upon this essential quality of decent citizenship.

The boy of today who exhibits disrespect for father and mother, will later lack proper respect for God and country. Good manners are not effeminate, as so many boys affect to think. Rough tongues no more indicate manly qualities than would a dirty face mean courage. What a splendid thing it would be if our army of boys could be convinced that they ought to unite in showing respect to parents by practising good manners in the home. The habit acquired there would extend, and the average citizen would find it pleasanter to meet groups of boys in streets, railways or ball parks—not only that, but boys themselves would find many of their own difficulties lessened by adopting an attitude of courtesy and kindness toward teachers, employers and friends.

I must add that in the army, where discipline is the preliminary to teaching self control, that supreme quality of the good soldier, we demand that the officer shall exhibit in himself the qualities of a gentleman, as well as the technique of an officer. Therefore, don't let those who talk to boys forget that the officers need advice as well as the youngsters. Like begets like, and the parent who practices the social amenities himself, will find this propaganda greatly helped through the imitative qualities of the boy.

Among soldiers, we know how thoroughly companies reflect the qualities of captains, and it is sad to suspect that the public ill behavior of many boys mirrors the careless social atmosphere of their homes. Like most soldiers who saw much of the French and Belgian family, I was struck with the courtesy of French and Belgian boys.

Immediately after the dismissal of school, students flocked to the gymnasium to see the "Tom" and "Lou" basketball game Friday afternoon.

It was very exciting game. The "Tom" Quintet won by a score of 24 to 9.

Line up and score:  
"Tom" (24)  
Shafrenak L. F. Donnelly  
Stewart R. F. Marshall  
Whalen, Capt. C. G. Capt. Cassinelli  
Mazzola L. G. Jensen  
Zadra R. G. Lichtblau  
Field goals: "Tom"—Shafrenak 2, Stewart 2, Whalen 6. Field goals. Whalen 2.  
Field goals. "Lou"—Donnelly 1. Field goals. Donnelly 7.  
Referee, Lieut. F. Lux; Scorer, Cadet Adjutant Chas. Klein; Timekeeper, Cadet Louis Cohen.

Monday afternoon the basketball tournament, was between the "Eddie" and "Mike" quintets. Of course "Eddie" team won the game.

Pokorny did good shooting. He has improved rapidly and is becoming a star. Now we have a number of stars—Bylinski, Jaffe and Nixon are very good players.

There was a very thrilling game Wednesday afternoon. The players were Fanwood Seniors and Fanwood Juniors. These teams are composed of the best and cleverest players and are selected to play with outsiders in match games.

While playing, E. Malloy, the fearless guard of the Fanwood Seniors, sustained a wrenched shoulder, which will keep him out of the line up for a while.

The tournament record to date is appended:—

SENIOR TOURNAMENT				
Teams	Games	Won	Lost	P. C.
"Tom"	4	4	0	1.000
"Lou"	4	3	1	.750
"Eddie"	4	3	1	.750
"Mike"	4	1	3	.250
"Boston"	3	0	3	.000
"Emil"	3	0	3	.000

JUNIOR TOURNAMENT				
Teams	Games	Won	Lost	P. C.
Conlon	3	3	0	1.000
Moscowitz	3	1	2	.500
Wannley	2	1	1	.500
Conklin	2	1	1	.500
Finkelstein	1	0	1	.000
McKay	2	0	2	.000

MIDGET TOURNAMENT (M. A. A.)				
Teams	Games	Won	Lost	P. C.
Giants	5	5	0	1.000
Brooklyn	5	3	2	.600
Cleveland	5	3	2	.600
Boston	6	2	4	.400
Yankee	6	2	4	.400
Pittsburg	6	1	5	.200

An exceedingly wonderful entertainment was given to the members of Fanwood Literary Association Saturday evening, by the girls of Eighth B, under the teaching of Miss Alice Teegarden.

The program follows:  
ESSAY—"My Summer Experiences," by Thurlia LaMour.  
READING—"Christmas in Brazil and Japan," by Gladys Curedale.  
DEBATE—Resolved, That California can not legally debar the Japanese from the State.  
Affirmative Negative  
Edna Adams Jessie Garrick  
READING—"The Faithful John," by Sonnie Roven.  
DIALOGUE—By Sarah Jacobs, Doris Patterson, Ethel Bennet.  
STORY—"Geoff's Luckey Shot," by Anna Lange.  
CURRENT EVENTS—By Anna Kaplan.

THE BIRDS' CHRISTMAS CAROL.  
(By Kate Douglas Wiggin)

SCENES  
PROLOGUE—The Home Finding Angel.  
ACT I—Carol Bird's Sitting room, on a December afternoon.  
ACT II—Christmas Day in the Ruggles Kitchen.  
ACT III—Same as Act I—Christmas afternoon.

CHARACTERS  
Angel of the Prologue . . . . . Gladys Curedale  
Carol Bird . . . . . Ethel Bennet  
Mrs. Bird . . . . . Jessie Garrick  
Mr. Bird . . . . . Sarah Jacobs  
Uncle Jack . . . . . Thurlia LaMour  
Elfrida—Carol's Nurse . . . . . Edna Adams  
The Butler . . . . . Gladys Curedale  
Mrs. Ruggles . . . . . Anna Lange  
Sarah Maude Ruggles . . . . . Doris Patterson  
Pearl Ruggles . . . . . Sonnie Roven  
Kitty Ruggles . . . . . Anna Kaplan  
Clement Ruggles . . . . . Ben. Shafrenak  
Larry Ruggles . . . . . Perry Schwing

Debate was won by Edna Adams, Affirmative, over Jessie Garrick, Negative.

Essay, readings, debate, dialogue, story and current events were very interesting, especially the dialogue, by Sarah Jacobs and Doris Patterson, and story by Anna Lange.

All did very well in the play.

The Monthly Meeting of the Fanwood Athletic Association was held in the Boys' Study hall, Thursday evening, Lieut. F. Lux presided.

The object of the gathering was about the schedule of basketball with outsiders.

The challenging teams that are to be met are as follows:—  
Dion Team, of Yonkers, at Dion's court; Bronx Team, of Bronx, at Bronx's; Selected Team, of city, at their court; Sherman A. A. Team, of city, at Sherman's court; Beacon A. A. Team, of city, at Hebrew Orphan Association's court (it is for a special game to entertain the orphan boys, given by the Beacon Athletic Association), Washington Team, of Bronx, at Washington's court; Seneca Five, of city, at Seneca's court. All during the Christmas holidays, which begin on the 22d of December and last till the 3d of January, 1921.

December 10th was the birthday of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, founder of the first school for the education of the Deaf in America. Most of the pupils contributed money for the fund to procure a replica of the statue of the Gallaudet. The amount secured here was \$9.25. Dr. Fox, who is on the committee of the fund, told us that he got more than he expected, and other schools sent much money too. Good work!

Last week Cadet Captain E. Malloy and Cadet Lieutenant Fitting, on their way to school, saw Mrs. MacSwiney, wife of the late Lord Mayor MacSwiney, of Cork, Ireland. Cadet William Rayner, who is eight years old and the smallest boy in Company C, is a chess wizard. He said that he will be ready to play with Samuel Zerowsky, the famous chess player.

Mr. Elwood A. Stevenson, a former teacher here, but now superintendent of the Kansas Institution, sent an unexpected letter to his former pupil, cadet corporal Meyer Lifshutz, last week.

Miss Estelle Gardner, daughter of Principal and Mrs. Gardner, left on Wednesday for an extended tour of the South, where she will visit all of her old friends whom she has not seen for some time. Estelle expects to be home again in the Spring.

Mr. William M. V. Hoffman, Second Vice-President of the Board of Directors, Mr. C. Gouverneur Hoffman, son of Mr. William M. V. Hoffman, and a member of the Visiting Committee for December, and Mrs. C. Gouverneur Hoffman, made a pleasant call Saturday afternoon.

The teachers presented a set of pretty silver spoons to Miss Madeline Browne, assistant teacher of Voice Culture, on December 8th.

Friday morning the pupils presented her with a carving set and a half dozen of glasses.

Miss Browne was married to Mr. A. Carlin, of Massena, N. Y., on December 21st.

Last week the girls of Adriastrian Society went out on a shopping trip. On the evening of Friday last, a Military Social and dancing contest was held in the gymnasium hall.

The room was of beautifully decorated with colored crepe paper. The electric globes beamed with vari-colored lights. Christmas wreaths hung on every window. The party began at 7:30 and lasted till 11 o'clock.

Music was furnished by a violoncello. Grape juice punch was served be-

tween dances, and ice-cream with chocolate sauce, cakes, paper bags of candy, were given to all.

The winners of the dancing contest were Edna Purdy and Cadet R. McCarthy.

Principal I. B. Gardner, Lieut. F. Lux, Mrs. Goodson and other friends, were guests. Mrs. I. B. Gardner, Mrs. Francis Bowker, Misses Mildred Casswell, and Gertrude Sheehan were judges.

At Sunday morning service, a discourse on "Using Good Judgment," was delivered by Dr. Fox. In the afternoon, Prof. C. Smith had for his text "Believe That Ye Have Received."

The girls presented Mrs. Merchant, our matron, who is soon to leave us for her home out west, with a very handsome polished book-case. To show her appreciation, she gave them a farewell party in their sitting room last Saturday, after chapel. After refreshments, they all danced and had a right jolly good time. The party was a surprise to all.

Miss Moore, Miss Craig, Miss Thompson and another lady, helped in serving. As the sandman came knocking at the door, they all extended their thanks and bade good night.

On Wednesday morning, we left for our respective homes to stay until the morning of January 3d.

The Fanwoodites extend A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.

## LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles wishes the readers and every School for the Deaf "A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year."

Christmas this year will be severe on bashful men, the writer fears. Several of the deaf enjoyed the big hike last Sunday to Mountain Canyon, and said the mistletoe crop is abundant.

It was a happy day in Los Angeles, one of that was filled with bounteous blessings of well-galanted tables, when "King Turkey" added to the cheer that attended the festival board.

Several deaf newcomers hopped out of bed at seven o'clock on the morning Thanksgiving, looked in the mirrors and winked at themselves, taking a pleasure ride to Venice, 27 miles from this city, to get their first glimpse of the great Pacific.

It was a real thrill for them, and they enjoyed the invigorating seaside breeze themselves, while the rest of them visited Mount Lowe, and got a thrill riding the electric car drawn almost straight into the air, and could look right over the side and see a bottomless pit like a canyon beneath. They had dinner at the lodge "Up in the Clouds."

Motoring the cars under a typical Sunny California sky, several deaf went to the auto races on Thanksgiving afternoon, where two famous drivers, Chevrolet and Eddie O'Donnel, who were admired by the local deaf, got killed.

The California-Oregon foot ball game at Pasadena, nine miles from here, Thanksgiving Day, was an attraction which drew a crowd of the athletic enthusiasts of Los Angeles' smart set. Several Los Angeles deaf went there in the red car and shouted "B-z-z-z-z," even more loudly than before, for California, and threw their caps in the air, jumping up with a great joy when California was acclaimed as winner of the Pacific to meet Ohio State University at Pasadena on New Year's Day in the feature event of the Tournament of Roses.

Mr. Levi Larson, his wife and brother, who is also deaf, crossed the United States last of October in the same Ford car which he made a trip to their homes in Wisconsin and Michigan, when he and his wife attended the Detroit Convention of the National Association of the Deaf.

When he was asked to relate the experiences of the party, he was so nervous from the effects of several weeks' flight in snow, mud and rocks, that he asked to be excused until he had had a good night's rest.

We are particularly glad to learn that Mr. Paul Martin arrived in San Francisco, and his work has been very satisfactory.

Los Angeles friends will also be glad to learn that Mrs. W. A. Tilley, who has been a frequent visitor in this city, is coming.

Mrs. Tilley's visits here are always signals for entertaining, and she herself is a gracious hostess who adds much to the social atmosphere.

Mr. and Mrs. George, formerly of San Diego, Cal., motored with Mr. and Mrs. Omar Smith last week through the beautiful country to the mountain lake, the Owen, running through the huge steel pipe to the neighboring towns. It is said that a dozen of the persons could walk on the top of the pipes. They have a beautiful home at Long Beach, twenty-two miles from here.

Miss Booth, a former pupil at Berkeley, Cal., has been sick for a long time and now she is blind. She has the sympathy of all her friends, who expect to see and comfort her so often.

You can come to Los Angeles or San Francisco, when you have enough money to take care of your-

selves, and pay for a decent place in which to live while you are looking for employment.

Mrs. Bingham entertained at her home, 4504 Fourth Avenue, in honor of Mrs. and Mrs. L. Hodgman. Covers were laid for the visitor and former pupils at Faribault, Minn., and also several Los Angeles ladies, last Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Margaret Thompson has returned here on November 5th, after an extended stay in St. Paul, Minn., and Boston.

Los Angeles is still having several distinguished deaf people wintering here.

Messrs. Conrad Vick and Ralph Shade, from Waterloo, Ia



# NEW YORK.

News items for this column should be sent direct to the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, Station M, New York.  
A few words of information in a letter postal card is sufficient. We will do the rest.

The Grand Bazaar, given by the Ladies Committee of the H. A. D., December 1st to 5th, is over. "Tired but happy" best expresses the feelings of all those connected with the details of its management. The Committee, from Mrs. Anna Swayd, the chairman, down to the humblest worker, certainly have reason to congratulate themselves on what has turned out to be the largest and most successful affair ever held in the S. W. J. D. Building. Despite rainy weather on the opening night, and several competitive attractions on Saturday, the main assembly room was packed to capacity. The proceeds, which will be about \$2,000, will be applied to the Building Fund.

The Committee is deeply grateful to all the donors—for the smallest to the largest—for their generosity, which contributed to the success of the affair.

No small share of appreciation is due the large band of loyal and willing workers. It would be unjust to mention names, for fear of omission, as there were so many of them.

To all the above, as well as our readers, who liberally opened their hearts and purse strings, we desire to say wholeheartedly: "Thank you, each and all."

The following comprised the Arrangement Committee and those in charge of the many booths, etc.

Committee of Arrangements—Mrs. Anna Swayd, Chairman; Mrs. Henry Plapinger, Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Marcus H. Marks, Secretary; Mrs. Arnold A. Cohn, Mrs. Marcus L. Kenner, Mrs. Max Miller, Miss Bessie Fink, Mrs. Sam Goldberg, Miss Rebecca Champagne, Miss Sarah Kremen.

Selling Chances for Raffles—Mrs. Marcus H. Marks, Miss Sarah Kremen, Miss Clara Sylvester, Miss Rose Wax, Miss Sara Purin, Mrs. Ratheim, Miss Rebecca Champagne.

Refreshments—Mrs. Max Miller, Mrs. Marcus L. Kenner, Mrs. M. Lowenherz, Mrs. Edward Lef.

Waitresses—Miss Anna Jacobs, Miss Katie Maltz, Miss Sophie Sterling, Miss Jeanette Zurick, Miss Shenelb Kobrin, Miss Minnie Brown, Miss Sophie Sadowitz, Miss Margaret Grossman.

Millinery Booth—Miss Bessie Fink, Miss Lucille Lef.

Food Stuff Booth—Mrs. Alex. Meisel, Miss Selma Frankenthaler, Miss Mildred Schram.

Bath Robes, etc., Booth—Miss Annie Hamburger, Miss Bessie Abramowitz.

Grape-Juice Booth—Mr. Adi Flegenheimer.

Apron Booth—Mrs. Dan. Wasserman, Mrs. Sol. Garson, Mrs. Ludwig Fischer.

Druz Booth—Miss Rebecca Halpern, Miss Lena Stoll.

China, Glass, Jewelry, Silver Booth—Mrs. Samuel Greenberg, Mrs. Harry Kurz, Mrs. Louis A. Cohen.

Children's Dresses Booth—Mrs. H. Vetterlein, Miss Jennie Adrian.

Hand-Bags Booth—Miss Elsie Sussman, Miss Sallie Karten.

Knit-Wear Booth—Mrs. Rosenbaum, Mrs. Seymour Gomprecht.

Paper Bags—Miss Schwartz.

Men's Wear Booth—Mrs. Alex. Goldfogle, Miss Carolyn Breslau.

Miscellaneous Booth—Miss Tillie Steiner, Miss Nettie Klapper.

Art Booth—Miss Ruby Abrams, Miss Beatrice Osserman.

Women's Wear Booth—Mrs. Samuel Goldberg, Miss Mary Hornstein.

Embroidery Booth—Mrs. Moses Loew, Mrs. Joe Shultz.

Towels Booth—Mrs. Simon Teich, Mrs. Felix A. Simonson.

Remnants and Baskets—Mr. Harry Kurz.

Grab Bag—Mr. Moses Schnapp, Phil Bassel.

Floor-Walkers—Henry Plapinger, Joseph Zeiss, Mannie Kaminsky, Charles Golden, Frank Bonner.

Door-Keepers—Ludwig Fischer, Joseph Halpert.

Hat-Check—Lester Hyams.

Wheel of Fortune—Arnold A. Cohn.

The diamond stick-pin—stone, which was cut and donated to the Bazaar by Machiel Swayd, father-in-law of the chairman, was won by Viola Boylan.

The Morris chair, donated by Moses Josephs, was won by Osmond Loew.

The hand painted lamp, made and donated to the Bazaar by Ruby Abrams, the artist, was won by B. C. Schindler.

The silk crepe de chine negligee was won by Miss Betty Rubin, a hearing young lady.

## DEAF-MUTES' UNION LEAGUE

On Thursday evening, December 16th, 1920, the Deaf-Mutes' Union League held what was perhaps one of the longest sessions in its career. The fact is, it was two meetings rolled into one, as after the regular routine of business the annual election was held.

The Committee reports took up considerable time, notably the 35th Anniversary Celebration, which made its final report of arrangements for the Dinner, to be held at the Commodore Hotel, on Saturday evening, January 1st.

Next in importance, if not more so, was the big affair to be held at the 22d Regiment Armory on Saturday evening, January 22, 1921.

Sympathy for the sad accident that befell Mr. Charles J. LeClerc in San Francisco, in November, was expressed, and on motion it was decided to donate \$25 to Mr. LeClerc, who for two years are going to California served as President of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League.

The election for new officers was hotly contested, especially that of the 2d vice-president and treasurer. It needed a recount before the actual result was correctly recorded. The result was as follows:

President, Anthony Capelli; First Vice-President, M. H. Marks; Second Vice-President, Julius Seandell; Secretary, Jack Seltzer; Treasurer, Emil Busch; Board of Governors, Samuel Frankenheim, Emanuel Souweine and Harry Giosten.

## ALPHABET A. C.

THIS FRIDAY NIGHT everything is set for the big night when the Grand Reception and Dance of the Alphabet Athletic Club takes place at the Grand Central Hall, 90-96 Clinton Street, near Williamsburg Bridge, New York City, on Christmas Eve, Friday evening, December 24th.

Come on, Buddy! Come with your gal and have a good time, and stay as late as you please—nothing to do till Monday.

The affair is in safe hands and a good time is sure to be had. The dance music will be supplied by the well known Union Band of Fred Paris. If you can't hear just "listen" with your feet.

There will be a dance contest for cash prizes, for both deaf and hearing folk. So, ladies, be sure and get a good partner, so as to be sure you have a good chance of carrying off some pin money.

The dance has been well advertised and a large crowd is being prepared for. So don't you miss it! See advertisement on 4th page.

## H. A. D. NOTES.

"An Impending Crisis" was the subject of a talk delivered by Dr. Thomas E. Fox, at our Friday evening services on December 17th. The "crisis," as pointed out by Dr. Fox, is nothing less than the tendency of some medical specialists to meddle in the education of the deaf with a view to abolition of the sign language.

This Friday evening, December 24th, Rev. A. J. Amatean lectures on "Jesus the Jew." All welcome.

Mrs. Margaret Lounsbury was lured from her domicile to Mrs. Meinken's home, far over on the west side, last Saturday, to allow a band of conspirators to prepare a surprise party in honor of her birthday (which really is on December 25th).

After dinner with the Meinkens, her youngest son, who is the popular Sergeant "Teddy" Lounsbury, of Co. K, of the 71st Regiment, called to take her home. Mrs. Vetterlein and Mrs. Meinken regretted they could not go along and spend the evening.

It was after nine o'clock when Mrs. Lounsbury threw open the door of her dining room, which she expected to find dark, gave one wild look at the circle of people in the bright light of the chandelier, and slammed it shut again. Possibly she would have fled in dismay had not her son "Teddy" been with her. He was aware of the plot and pushed her into the room, when she recognized a group of her old friends, and then greetings and kisses and tears of hysterical joy.

From that time onward nimble fingers and gyrating arms were kept busy until supper was announced. There was a fine spread, including salads, olives, sweet-pickles, fruit, ice-cream, cake and coffee.

The managers of the affair were Mrs. Charles Bothner and Miss Elizabeth MacLair, and the others present besides Mrs. Lounsbury, her son "Teddy" and a very pretty young hearing lady, Miss J. MacMonigle, Mr. and Mrs. Reilly, Mr. and Mrs. Hodes, Mr. and Mrs. Toohy, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bothner, Mrs. Meinken, Mrs. Vetterlein, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Wolff, Mrs. Hayden, Miss Berley, Mr. Charles L. Schindler, and Mr. E. A. Hodgson.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Frey's 35th wedding anniversary was on Monday, December 13th, but on Sunday evening, December 12th, a surprise party was tendered by Miss Bessie

Frey and Leopold Frey to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frey, at their home, No. 312½ East 93d Street, this city.

On the same day (Sunday morning) Mr. and Mrs. Frey visited their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. I. Lowe in Newark, N. J. During that time cooking, baking pies, and beautiful arrangements in rooms were done by Misses Frey and Vera Hoffman, assisted by Mr. Michael Ciavolino. There was a white paper wedding-bell hanging in the center of the parlor.

Returning home in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Frey did not know that Mr. and Mrs. Lowe were behind them till they arrived home. As soon as the couple entered the parlor, they were showered with rice, and then were surprised to receive from Mr. and Mrs. Lowe thirty-five dollars (\$35) memento 35th Anniversary to which substantial contributions were added by a number of friends; also some useful articles. The guests were invited to a dinner, after which various games were indulged in. One of the games is called fortune teller, patented by Mr. Leopold Frey. If any reader wishes to see it, ask the inventor to try it.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Hode, Mr. and Mrs. Elkin, Mr. and Mrs. Lowe, Mrs. J. O'Brien, Mrs. McCarthy, Mrs. A. Eckardt, Misses Rose Wax, Vera Hoffman, Clara Sylvester, Messrs. Michael Ciavolino, A. Goldfogle, and Max Hoffman.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Hunt, of Brooklyn, N. Y., gave a birthday party in honor of their son, J. Hunt, on Sunday, December 12th. He is now 18 years old. Many pretty presents were received. Dancing and games were enjoyed and a buffet supper served. There was a large birthday cake in the center of the table, which was later cut in pieces and distributed to the guests present, who by the way, were, besides Mr. and Mrs. T. Hunt, and Mr. J. Hunt: Mr. and Mrs. J. Karsidde, Miss B. Karsidde, Master A. Karsidde, Mr. and Mrs. J. Toohy, Mr. J. Schriener, Miss A. Quinlan, Miss L. Jelafdi, Mr. A. Pannone, Mr. and Mrs. E. Burke, Master Tom Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Sanders, and about fourteen hearing people.

## Hearing Increased by Drugs.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 13.—Dr. David L. Macht, of the Johns Hopkins University, who is conducting research work in pharmacology, has discovered drugs that, when used in just the proper doses and at the right time, will increase the sensitivity of the human ear and thus enable an individual to hear over a wider range.

Quinine is one of the drugs that in small doses increases acuity of hearing. Antipyrin and pyfanidin, also in small doses, had that effect. Acetanilid and salol administered separately impaired hearing, but a combination of the two was found to increase its acuteness.

## Deaf and Dumb Girl Wants Home.

Lelia Brewer, 21 years old, is a deaf and dumb girl, without a home. For twelve long years she was in the school for deaf and dumb at Council Bluffs. Then she became of age.

In company with her mother, Lelia went to Kansas City, where the mother secured a position. She provided the living.

The mother died last week, and Lelia is now in Des Moines looking for work. She has been staying with her grandmother at 327 East Fifth street.

The deaf and dumb girl appealed to Mrs. Emma Berkey, police woman, for a position in some home. The appeal was made in the form of a letter.

The letter stated that Lelia could do housework, but that she would hardly be able to care for children as she would be unable to understand their wants.—Des Moines Capital.

## MRS. HENRY A. ACHESON.

Mrs. Catherine Haller Acheson, wife of Henry A. Acheson, died at 7:30 o'clock on Saturday evening, December 11th, 1920, at her home, No. 27 Harvester avenue, from pneumonia. She had been ill for 11 days.

Mrs. Acheson was born in Batavia on September 23, 1864, being a daughter of George Haller, who died on May 2, 1919, and had always lived here. Besides her husband she is survived by three sons, George, Harry and Hebert Acheson; three brothers, George T. and John F. Haller of Batavia, and Peter F. Haller of San Francisco, Cal.; and a sister, Mrs. George Diefenbach of Tonawanda.—Batavia Daily News.

The funeral was private, and held at two o'clock, on Wednesday, December 14th, from Mrs. Acheson's late home. Interment was at Elmwood Cemetery.

# OHIO.

[News items for this column may be sent to our Ohio News Bureau, care of Mr. A. R. Greener, 993 Franklin Ave., Columbus, O.]

December 18, 1920.—The memory of Dr. Thomas H. Gallaudet was duly honored at the school during the week of December 10th. On Tuesday morning preceding the 10th, Rev. Utten Read in his chapel talk, spoke of the books Dr. Gallaudet had written, showing several volumes. On the morning of the 10th, Mr. Green spoke of Gallaudet as "Our Benefactor," depicted the condition of the deaf in ancient times living in utter ignorance, how Gallaudet was impressed at the sight of a deaf child in a company of little hearing ones at play. His endeavors to find means of educating the deaf in this country; the establishment of the first school a hundred and three years ago at Hartford, Connecticut, and nearly every state in the Union supports one for its deaf children, bringing to them light, knowledge, and happiness. Truly he is our benefactor, and in no better way can the deaf school boys and girls of the day honor his memory, than by earnestly striving to make the best use of the opportunities given them and leading upright lives after leaving school.

In the evening under the auspices of the Columbus Branch of N. A. D. about 125 people sat down to a banquet in the pupils' dining hall.

## MENU

Consomme Wafers  
Celery  
Roast Turkey  
Mashed Potatoes Cranberry Jelly  
Dressing  
Neapolitan Ice Cream Cakes  
Coffee

The serving was done by the young ladies of the domestic science class, who did most charmingly, when the eats were eclipsed those costing much higher.

The room was prettily decorated with plants and flowers. Two large pictures of Gallaudet and Mrs. Gallaudet graced the head of the room. At the east side on a raised platform were seated the speakers of the evening and their wives, besides Dr. and Mrs. Patterson and Mr. C. C. Neuner.

## TOAST

TOASTMASTER, MR. BECKERT, President Columbus Branch of the N. A. D. "The Everlasting Influence of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet," Miss Edgar. "The Mother of Two Great Benefactors of the Deaf," Mrs. C. C. Neuner. "My Observation of the Deaf at Large," Supt. J. W. Jones. Poem—"On Gallaudet's Birthday," Miss Manula.

The addresses were all good and interesting. It was near 11 o'clock when adjournment was made.

A free offering, the proceeds of which will go toward a replica of the Gallaudet Statue at Hartford, was made, as guests filed out of the room. This amounted to \$18.

Mr. William Fellers, of West Milton, and Mr. Thomas, of Dayton, O., came up and attended the banquet. These were the only out-of-town guests present. Quite a number of the older pupils had the necessary dollar to get a ticket.

Isaac Whistler, of Marion, was a visitor at the school this week. He is one of the many laid off at the rubber works in Akron, and is seeking some other job. Merritt Bennett, of this city, is another, but he has been fortunate to secure a position as printer in the Weather Bureau of this City.

The Piqua Aid Society, organized last April, is doing some. It has already laid up \$128, and has applied for a room at the Home for Deaf, which it will furnish as soon as the new building is completed.

Nathan Henick, well-known, in Toledo and Ohio, on the 28th ult., was married to Miss Esther Cohn at the home of the bride, Chicago, on the 28th of November. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends, and the gifts were numerous and costly.

The School was being inspected the past week by a committee from the State Department of Health, and as far as it has gone, found the pupils in better condition than those of the Public Schools. Pupils were examined as to their physical condition—weighing, measuring, including the teeth, eyes, nose and throat. The committee has found the task easy, because for several years back the physical director, Mr. Ohlemacher, had been taking measurements of pupils of their lung capacity, weight, hearing vision, dimensions and height in the fall, and at the close of school and kept them in a record.

Another committee was also here testing, the mental capabilities of the pupils and school work, they visited the class rooms.

The Toledo Ladies' Aid Society is composed of the following members: Mrs. Dennis Hannan, President; Mrs. E. Morrison, Vice-President; Miss Ruby Weida, Secretary; Mrs. Frank Walton, Treasurer; Mrs. Barton Custodian, Mrs. Louis Blum, Miss Hattie Genson, Mrs. Wm. Morehouse, Miss Albertha Hannaford, Miss Elsie Lang,

Misses Pelgia and Margaret Wachowiak. The Associate Members are Mrs. Braden, Mrs. Warren Whitaker, Mrs. Powell, Mrs. Ben Green and Miss Erenberg. They gave a supper, the latter part of November, and realized a handsome sum. A social is to be held this evening.

The Home residents' Christmas money will be increased by two dollars from Toledo, donated by the Toledo Ladies' Aid Society, and as it grows older and stronger, it will contribute a larger share to make the old folks happy at Yuletide.

The pupils left for their holiday vacation beginning early in the morning yesterday, and by noon most of them were speeding homeward. There are just a dozen left at the school, who through circumstances are denied such pleasures with the home folks. However, they will be remembered by Santa Claus in some way, and made to feel happy.

We extend to all readers of the JOURNAL, A Joyous Christmas. A. B. G.

# DETROIT.

Rev. Charles held the services both Sunday morning and afternoon, December 12th. In the morning the baby of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McSparrin was baptized Wm. Claude, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Edward McMullen acted as godparents.

In the afternoon his sermon was on "Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet," in honor of his birth. How the sign language was the method in use; how he was on his way across the Atlantic to learn the way of teaching the deaf; how the school at Hartford was founded; spoke of his marriage to Miss Sophia Fowler, one of the pupils; eight children were born to them. The name of "Gallaudet" is honored in America. His character was sweet and all loved him. Miss Grattan recited a hymn, after which Rev. Charles read Daniel 1:3 and chapter of Isaiah. Before closing, Mrs. McLachlan signed "Rock of Ages" gracefully.

The business meeting and election of the Ephphatha Mission were held after the services with Walter Carl in the chair. Fred Ryan, secretary, gave his report. They decided to have socials this winter, and a committee of three was appointed and Mr. Menzies is chairman. A "Watch Night" is to be held at the Parish House Friday evening, December 31st. Every member is requested to be present. The result of the election was as follows:

Ralph Huhp, President; Arthur Meek, Vice-President; Fred Ryan, Secretary, re-elected by acclamation. Rion Hoel was appointed a Trustee and Mr. McNulty Bible class leader.

The Ladies' Guild had its business meeting and election Tuesday, December 7th. The new officers for the ensuing year are as follows:

Miss McLachlan, President; Miss Stark, Vice President; Mrs. Ed Mcullen, Secretary; Mrs. Wm. Murphy, Assistant Secretary.

The Detroit Association of the Deaf held its election Friday evening, December 10th. The results were:

R. V. Jones, President; Wm. Behrendt, Vice-President; Earl Schaffer, Secretary; A. R. Scheider, Treasurer; Thos. J. Kenney, Sergeant-at-Arms; Board of Trustees, John Heilers (chairman), Hugel and R. Beaver.

The election of officers for the Detroit Branch, N. A. D., was held Saturday evening, December 11th. The new officers were elected as follows:

Mrs. Robert Rollins, President; Miss Naomi Tucker, Vice-President; Mrs. Schneider, Secretary; Ivan Heymansson, Treasurer; Miss Stark and Wm. Zeh, Sergeant-at-Arms. Board of Trustees, John Heilers (chairman), Ralph Huhp and Robert Rollins.

The Lutheran Church of the Deaf had its election December 5th. The new officers were elected as follows:

Ralph Beaver, President; Wm. Rheiner, Vice-President; John Ulrich, Secretary; John Berry, Treasurer; Board of Trustees, Ben Beaver (chairman), Mr. Denham and Edward Luchow.

The business meeting and election of the Division No. 2, N. F. S. D., were held at the club rooms of the Detroit Association of the Deaf December 2d. The new officers were elected as follows:

Ivan Heymansson, President; R. Beaver, Vice-President; John Ulrich, Secretary; R. Huhp, Treasurer; Clyde Barnett, Director; Wm. Murphy and A. Meek, Sergeant-at-Arms; Board of Trustees, John J. Heilers.

The Ladies' Auxiliary Detroit Association of the Deaf had its business meeting Wednesday evening, December 8th. The reports of the past year, as read by the officers, show the society has had a large increase in membership and it has grown both spiritually and financially. The officers elected for the coming year are as follows:

Mrs. Behrendt, President; Miss M. Stark, Vice-President; Miss Tucker, Secretary; Helen Warsaw, Treasurer; Miss Winters, Sergeant-at-Arms; Board of Trustees, Mrs.

Kenney, Chairman, Mrs. Herring and Mrs. Behrendt.

The doors of the Detroit Association of the Deaf are opened to the families of the deaf who are the members of this club and the lady members of the auxiliary. The Deaf, who are strangers in Detroit, and who would like to meet friends are invited to visit this club. The Association gathers young men and women and makes themselves acquainted. No one need be lonesome or want for friends after joining this Association.

The Detroit Association of the Deaf is to have a grand and glorious Christmas festival on December 25th, at the new club rooms, No. 951 Porter Street. Every one, little and big, is invited to come and see the brilliant tree with the gifts. The belated white-whiskered Santa Claus, in red jacket, will be there with his sleigh and deer. The committee will do their best to see every one has a good time.

The Police bus that carries the crippled children to the Leland School met with an accident which resulted in injury to three of the children who were deaf. Owing to the slippery pavement the bus skidded into a street car on Michigan Avenue. The children were taken to the Receiving Hospital.

A pleasant surprise birthday party was tendered to Mr. Adelbert B. Davis last week, at his cosy home by his loving friends, who presented him with a beautiful and costly mahogany cigarette stand. Mr. Davis was greatly surprised and accepted the gift with thanks. After which a bounteous luncheon was served.

Geo. Trine is now in Los Angeles, Cal., spending his vacation. His deaf sister, Mildred, is still at home in Detroit and she was at the meeting of the auxiliary, D. A. D., of December 8th.

A kind stork visited the house of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gitchell November 12th, and presented them with a bouncing baby girl. Congratulations.

John G. Otto and Miss Rose Creighton, both of Springfield, Ill., were married November 28th at the residence of Mrs. Beaver, mother of Ben and Ralph Beaver. Thirty-five deaf friends attended the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Otto are now honeymooning around the Michigan State, with the good wishes of their numerous friends in Detroit.

Several deaf are the unfortunate ones to be out of work, having been laid off about two months. Since then they have hunted all over Detroit and cannot find a job at any thing. They have been to several of the employment agencies, but they could give them nothing. It is likely everything will come out all right after January 10th.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon French spend their Christmas week with Mrs. French's sister, Mrs. Simpson, and family in Windsor, Canada.

A birthday party was tendered to Mrs. Ivan Heymansson at her home, Wednesday evening, December 1.

The Ladies' Guild holds a Bazaar and Social at the Parish House, Friday evening, December 17th. Every body is welcome.

We were sorry to learn of the passing away of Mrs. Stevens, beloved wife of Mr. Stevens, of Flint, two weeks ago.

Detroit friends are delighted to know that Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baird and baby are enjoying living in Texas. We miss them very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Behrendt returned home a few days ago from a month's rambling in the country at the home of Mrs. Behrendt's parents in Rockford, Michigan.

What do you think of the program of the Lord's Day Alliance League, as set forth by some minister? Many here in Detroit think it is a positive drawback to the teaching of the Christian religion and to have such narrow views expressed is discouraging. They claim Christian faith is not of the church but of the soul. If the Lord's Day Alliances becomes a blue law, they said it will keep the poor working people from going on excursion boats on Sundays. The working people have families of children, and six days a week they work to feed and clothe them and give them an education. Exodus 20: 9—"Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work." It would appear from the wording, all things, one would consider work should be done during the "six days," we are told in the next verse, "But the Seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God." This day belongs to Him who created us. For communion with Him. For absolute rest of mind and body. For complete mental and physical relaxation.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to the readers.

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# CHICAGO.

On Sunday week—November 28—at 6 o'clock P.M., there occurred one of the prettiest and most popular weddings the deaf of Chicago have beheld in a long time. The high contracting parties were Mr. Nathan Henick, of Toledo, Ohio, and Miss Esther Cohn, of this city.

Miss Cohn was a prime favorite among our younger deaf society, and will be greatly missed at many social functions she has heretofore graced by her presence. The groom has many admiring friends and acquaintance in Chicago, while in his home city of Toledo, for his consistent loyalty to the interests of the deaf, he is beloved by all. He is the brilliant correspondent of the Ohio Chronicle, the entertaining monthly paper published at the School for the Deaf in Columbus.

In the recent drive for funds to build a home for Ohio's Aged and Infirm Deaf, Mr. Henick was given charge of the Toledo district, with his quota fixed at \$900.00. As evidence of his personal popularity and hustle he agreeably surprised the committee in charge by turning in \$1,200, "going over the top" \$300 to the good. This was fine work for the young man, and as a result he is receiving just praise from all concerned. In justice to this young man, I will state that his regular contributions of news items in the Chronicle are eagerly read by the many subscribers of the paper. He is an officer in the Toledo Frat.

The wedding ceremony, conducted under the impressive service of a rabbi, occurred at the residence of the bride's parents and was attended by a throng of Chicago's best people, all of whom were enthusiastic in praises and best wishes for the youngsters. The number and value of wedding gifts evidenced the high regard held for them. About fifty telegrams of congratulation were received by the groom from kinsmen and friends throughout America, the reading of which was a real feature of the happy occasion.

After a short honeymoon stay in Chicago, the splendid young pair left for their future home in Toledo, where the thoughtful groom has already bought and fittingly prepared a nest for the proper comfort and pleasure of her he loves most and best.

The newly wedded pair leave Chicago with many heartfelt, honest, prayers for their future health, wealth and prosperity.



# What Signs Be Abolished in a School For the Deaf?

In the September number of the *American Annals of the Deaf*, note what Mr. Frank Booth, Supt. of the Nebraska School for the Deaf, said in regard to the sign language. He thinks that it is a "weed language," and that signs should not be used in a School for the Deaf.

Having had long experience in teaching the deaf, I am a great believer in the use of the sign language in the school, to a certain extent.

"Signs" are used as means of imparting instruction in the deaf child's vernacular until he learns written English. The child's thought and expression of his ideas are made known by signs, and an explanation of the meaning of new words is made in this way. We do not teach signs, but teach by means of signs. The sign language also is an useful means of imparting information through lectures, debates, sermons, etc.

Root out this language by compulsion? Never. Then prohibit by force? Never. Some one writing upon the nature of "signs," said, "Though we should bind the hands of the deaf pupils, his soul, which no man can fetter, would still express itself to itself in signs." It is natural for the deaf to use signs—it is their soul's song. As long as the deaf associate with each other, they will continue to use signs. The signs give them great joy and happiness.

It is conceded by a majority of the teaching profession that it is best for the child that signs be eliminated from the school-room, and the industrial department, and that the use of speech, writing, and manual spelling be encouraged. They think that the use of signs interferes with the ability to speak and read speech and the acquisition of the English language.

I believe in the use of the sign language in the actual work of instruction with dull, backward pupils, who may profit by it.

If a deaf child can not learn by the use of spelling, lip-reading, or writing, by what other method can he learn? Should the backward pupil be deprived of "signs," the only means of reaching his understanding? What is to be done with the pupil if he can not learn by any method except "signs" and the signs are prohibited? Is it right to deny him his right to gain useful knowledge necessary to his future well-being and happiness?

A little child of average ability enters the school. In normal development that child passes from grade to grade and spends the larger part of ten of the most important years of its life in that school.

What is the chief object of the child's life? To acquire speech and speech-reading and the English language? No, the object is to develop the mental, religious, and physical powers of that child.

A class of bright beginners taught by the manual method, will advance faster and acquire language in the same length of time than a class taught orally, because a great deal of time must be spent on the development of the elements with an oral class. It is necessary to hold the pupils in the oral classes back in their studies to teach speech and speech-reading.

It has taken the oral pupils in our school from eleven to fourteen years to finish their course, while it has taken the manual pupils of equal capacity eight to ten years to accomplish the same result.

I have had many backward pupils who were transferred from the Oral Department. Many of them were pronounced hopeless by their oral teachers. Becoming acquainted with the poor, handicapped pupils' mental condition and needs, and using the sign language in my work, I have succeeded very well with them. They developed mentally and morally and acquired more written language. In teaching reading lessons I had their interest and imagination aroused. I gave them practical religious talks which helped awaken their moral sense. In order to give the pupils the fullest mental development of which they were capable, I used signs. In order to reach their intellect, I would employ writing first, this method failing, I would then employ finger-spelling, then last of all signs. I let the pupils make known their wants or express their ideas by use of signs, if necessary.

An extreme oral teacher does not attempt to convey certain ideas, when writing or lip-reading fail of their purpose. Shall the pupils be made to suffer in order to uphold the method adopted for that particular school-room? If a pupil in a pure oral school, can not be taught by the oral method, he is pronounced feeble minded and stops school.

It seems to me rather hard on the little ones who are anxious to write something new in their journals or letters, or tell their teacher some item of news, when they speak or write part of a sentence and are unable to finish it, except to give a sign for the missing part, to have the teacher shake her head and say she does not understand. The child is certainly discouraged. It is necessary for a teacher in the manual department to be thoroughly familiar with the sign language.

Why is it that we see numbers of educated deaf people, who have been educated by a combined system, using better English than ordinary hearing people.

Are not the teachers or the methods used somewhere at fault, if an ordinarily intelligent deaf child cannot gain a command of English during its eight or ten years in school, when the sign language is used at certain times to contribute its part to their education?

Should signs be eliminated from the Chapel Exercises, Literary Societies, Prayer Meetings, Monthly Parties, etc? If signs should be supplanted by manual spelling, will the pupils receive as much religious instruction from the spelled exercises as from the signed ones? Will the primary pupils understand every spelled word? Are the chapel services intended to teach English?

The sign language is a most beautiful and expressive language and moves the deaf to tears, smiles or laughter, and appeals more to their minds and hearts than any other means of communication. I have tried spelling to the pupils in chapel without moving them, and then I have given the same address in signs, and they have understood and been deeply moved. It is a fact that the deaf children derive great benefit from the chapel service given in signs.

The abolition of signs in the religious service, debates or lectures, would doubtless, lead to a narrowness of the mental and moral powers of the deaf pupils. The moral, mental, and intellectual development, and the acquisition of language, is of far more importance to the deaf than the ability to speak and to read speech.

For more than one hundred years thousands of deaf people in this country have been taught the laws of God and the lessons of Christ by means of the sign language, so that they have lived clean and honorable lives.

I am very thankful that I was educated by the manual method in a combined system school and college, for if it had not been for this method, I believe I might not have received as good an education as I did.

What is the proof of good teaching? The pupil is the proof—that is, what he becomes, what he knows and can do when he leaves school; what sort of man the teacher makes out of him, mentally and morally.

The advocates of the pure oral method tell the public that they know better than the people about the methods of instruction. We, deaf people, are the ones who can best judge and determine what will be of lasting benefit to the deaf, as we have been "through the mill." That reminds me of how the Stuart Kings in England thought they knew better what was good for their people than the people themselves.

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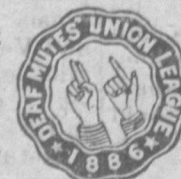
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